



Shower Handle O-ring Replacement

Fix a leaky shower head by replacing a faulty or worn rubber O-ring in the shower handle.

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INTRODUCTION

If you have a shower head with a constant drip, follow this simple and easy guide to replace the rubber o-ring in your shower handle. Replacing the O-ring can help prevent hard water build up, rusting, and wasting water.



TOOLS:

- [Groove Joint Pliers](#) (1)
- [Phillips #2 Screwdriver](#) (1)
- [Flathead Screwdriver](#) (1)



PARTS:

- [1/4" rubber O-ring gasket](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Shower Handle O-ring



- ❗ Be sure your water main is turned off, preventing water flow to your shower.
- Using your flat head screwdriver, remove the screw from the middle of the handle.

Step 2



- Use your groove joint pliers to loosen and remove the escutcheon plate.

Step 3



- Using your groove joint pliers, loosen and remove the cartridge stem.

Step 4



- Slowly unscrew and remove the stem completely.
- ⓘ There may be some water leakage due to built up pressure.

Step 5



- Using your flat head screwdriver, remove the screw from the end of the stem cartridge.
- Once the screw is removed, replace the damaged O-ring with the new replacement O-ring.
- ☑ When installing a new O-ring, be sure the O-ring has a tight seal to prevent further leaking.
- ☑ Once reassembly is complete and all parts are snug, turn the water main back on to allow water to flow to the shower again.

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